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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : No free bus pass has been issued to the Police Department for travel in Government Transport buses. But 272 passes have been issued as indicated below at the rate of Rs. 12 per pass per month—

Issued in favour of.	*Number of passes issued.*
Commissioner of Police	235
Inspector-General of Police	28
Deputy Inspector-General of Police, Railways and C.I.D.	7
District Superintendent of Police, Government Railway Police, Tiruchirappalli	2
Total ...	272

SRI K. R. SAMBANDAM : Will the Government issue free passes to M.L.As. if they apply?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : This supplementary question does not arise from the main question.

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Is it not a fact that Police officials travel without either a pass or a ticket not only in Government buses but also in private crowded buses much to the inconvenience of the passengers?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : I do not think they are travelling without a pass. I would like the Member to prove whether they have travelled without a pass.

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Is the Minister aware that as a corollary to the issue of passes, Police officials enter the buses through the exit and depart through the entrance?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN : The hon. Member himself is not sure of his facts. He raises probabilities.

Arrest of the store-keeper of the Central Jail, Cannanore

* 2355 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM (on behalf of Sri K. P. Gopalan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the store-keeper of the Central Jail, Cannanore, was arrested on 15th March 1955 at Madras Hotel, Cannanore, with an oil engine belt 100 yards in length belonging to the Central Jail;

(*b*) whether the Government have received any report from the Superintendent, Central Jail, Cannanore, in the matter; and

(*c*) if so, the action taken thereon?

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) No, Sir. On 15th March 1955, the Police, however, recovered a black belting about 98 feet long from the Madras Hotel, Cannanore, which was alleged to have been left there by the Store-keeper, Central Jail, Cannanore, on his arrival at the hotel from Salem on 14th March 1955.

(*b*) Yes, Sir.

(*c*) A case has been registered by the Police and the accused will be charged under section 379, Indian Penal Code.

Retrenchment of some workers in rubber estates in Malabar

* 2356 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI (on behalf of Sri K. P. Gopalan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the management of Nilambur Rubber Estate, Munderi, Nilambur, Malabar, retrenched 30 workers on 11th March 1955, without giving any proper notice and retrenchment benefits thus violating Industrial Disputes Act, as amended in 1953;

(*b*) whether the Government has conducted any conciliation proceedings in the matter; and

(*c*) if so, with what result?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) & (*c*) With the good offices of the Labour Officer, Kozhikode, the management and the workers had settled their dispute amicably.

* 2357 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI (on behalf of Sri K. P. Gopalan) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that thirty-four tappers were dismissed from the Mannarghat Rubber Estates, Malabar, recently;

(*b*) if so, whether Government have conducted any conciliation proceedings and with what result;

(*c*) whether the management of the said estate have given proper notice to the workers before retrenchment; and

(*d*) the causes for the retrenchment?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) *to* (*d*) A report has been called for from the Commissioner of Labour and it is awaited.

Family planning institutions in the State

* 2358 *Q.*—SRI C. KANDASAMY (on behalf of Sri V. R. Krishna Ayyar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the amount spent by the Government on family planning institutions in the State in 1954–55?